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COUNSELORS AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS CORE 40 CURRICULUM

The Indiana Commission for Higher Education announced today that for the second year a *Core 40 Corps* of high school and college counselors is available to school and community groups for discussions about Indiana's Core 40 curriculum. Selected by the Indiana School Counselors Association and the Indiana Association of College Admissions Counselors, the counselors will provide information about Core 40 requirements and rationale, as well as information connecting this curriculum with post-high school opportunities of various kinds. Members of the Corps will be available for presentations through May 15, 1998.

Indiana Core 40 is the curriculum adopted by the Indiana State Board of Education in 1994 as offering students the best preparation for postsecondary education and the world of work. The first students affected by Core 40 were ninth graders in 1994-95 and will graduate from high school next spring. Indiana's colleges and universities have said that, beginning with the Fall of 1998, they will expect recent graduates who seek admission to have completed the Core 40 curriculum. The State Student Assistance Commission has announced changes to the state grant program that include providing a "bonus award" to students eligible for the basic grant who also have completed Core 40.

Counselors presently serving on the Core 40 Corps include Steve Bushouse and Mike Donahue from IUPUI, Janet Campbell from Prosser Technical School, Vickie Ferrell from Speedway High School, Lila Hammer from Manchester College, Peggy Hines from Indiana State University, Jim Smith from Princeton High School, Tom Pape from Michigan City High School, and Sue Reynolds from the Indiana Department of Education.

To arrange for one of these counselors to speak to your group, please call the Indiana Career and Postsecondary Advancement Center (ICPAC), toll-free, at 1-800-992-2076.